

# Structural Equivalence and Assortative Mixing

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## Structural Equivalence

Two vertices are structurally equivalent if they share the same neighbours  
Number of shared neighbours ( $\mathbf{A}_{ij}$  - binary adjacency matrix):

$$n_{ij} = \sum_k A_{ik}A_{kj} = (A^2)_{ij}$$

Euclidean distance (Hamming distance):

$$d_{ij}^2 = \sum_k (A_{ik} - A_{jk})^2$$

Maximal possible:

$$\max(d_{ij}^2) = k_i + k_j$$

Normalized Hamming distance:

$$d_{ijN}^2 = 1 - \frac{2n_{ij}}{k_i + k_j}$$

# Structural Equivalence

Similarity (vector)

$$\sigma_{ij} = \cos(\theta_{ij}) = \frac{xy}{|x||y|} = \frac{\sum_k A_{ik}A_{kj}}{\sqrt{\sum_k A_{ik}A_{ki}}\sqrt{\sum_k A_{jk}A_{kj}}} = \frac{n_{ij}}{\sqrt{k_i k_j}}$$

Correlation coefficient:

$$r_{ij} = \frac{\sum_k (A_{ik} - \langle A_i \rangle)(A_{jk} - \langle A_j \rangle)}{\sqrt{\sum_k (A_{ik} - \langle A_i \rangle)^2} \sqrt{\sum_k (A_{jk} - \langle A_j \rangle)^2}}$$

$$A_{ik} = A_{ki}, \quad \sum_k A_{ik}^2 = \sum_k A_{ik} = k_i$$
$$\langle A_i \rangle = \frac{1}{n} \sum_k A_{ik}$$

# Assortative Mixing

Assortative mixing (Homophily)

Tendency to associate and form connections with those perceived to be similar.

Let  $n_c$  classes,  $c_i$  class,  $\delta(c_i, c_j)$  kronecker delta

Number of edges between nodes of the same class in

- ▶ given network  $A_{ij}$   $m_c = \sum \delta(c_i, c_j) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{ij} A_{ij} \delta(c_i, c_j)$
- ▶ random network  $\langle m_c \rangle = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{ij} \frac{k_i k_j}{2m} \delta(c_i, c_j)$

Modularity:

$$Q = \frac{1}{2m} \sum_{ij} \left( A_{ij} - \frac{k_i k_j}{2m} \right) \delta(c_i, c_j)$$

## Assortative Mixing

Assortative mixing: every node has value  $x_i$

Average and covariance over edges

$$\langle x \rangle = \frac{1}{2m} \sum_{ij} A_{ij} x_i = \frac{1}{2m} \sum_i k_i x_i$$

$$\text{var} = \frac{1}{2m} \sum_{ij} A_{ij} (x_i - \langle x \rangle)^2 = \frac{1}{2m} \sum_i k_i (x_i - \langle x \rangle)^2$$

$$\text{cov} = \frac{1}{2m} \sum_{ij} A_{ij} (x_i - \langle x \rangle)(x_j - \langle x \rangle)$$

Assortativity coefficient

$$r = \frac{\text{cov}}{\text{var}} = \frac{\sum_{ij} \left( A_{ij} - \frac{k_i k_j}{2m} \right) x_i x_j}{\sum_{ij} \left( k_i \delta_{ij} - \frac{k_i k_j}{2m} \right) x_i x_j}$$

# Assortative Mixing

Assortative mixing by degree

$$r = \frac{\sum_{ij} \left( A_{ij} - \frac{k_i k_j}{2m} \right) k_i k_j}{\sum_{ij} \left( k_i \delta_{ij} - \frac{k_i k_j}{2m} \right) k_i k_j}$$

$$S_1 = \sum_i k_i = 2m$$

$$S_2 = \sum_i k_i^2$$

$$S_3 = \sum_i k_i^3$$

$$S_e = \sum_{ij} A_{ij} k_i k_j = \sum_{e \in E} k_i k_j$$

$$r = \frac{S_e S_1 - S_2^2}{S_3 S_1 - S_2^2}$$